GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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PROCEDURE FOR SALE OF ELEPHANTS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether various States have requested the Union Government to simplify the procedure for sale of elephants;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the action taken by the Union Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a), (b) & (c) Yes, Sir. Some States like Assam, Bihar, Kerala and Union Territory of Andaman & Nicobar Islands have requested the Central Government to make necessary amendments in the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 for relaxing the prohibition on sale of domesticated live elephants. The matter is under consideration.